## In the Claims

1. (previously amended) A notebook computer protection device, comprising:

a reinforced body member having a sleeve adapted to secure a notebook computer therewithin, the body member having at least one opening permitting access to a lateral portion of the received notebook computer while secured therewithin without manipulating the body member.

- 2. (previously amended) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 1 wherein the body member has a plurality of openings permitting access to a plurality of lateral portions of the notebook computer while secured therewithin without manipulating the body member.
- 3. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 2 wherein the body member has a plurality of extensions defining the openings therebetween.
- 4. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 1 wherein the body member has a port coupled to the sleeve and is adapted to receive the notebook computer and also to permit retrieval therethrough.
- 5. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 4 further comprising a retractable handle disposed across the port and adapted to permit manipulation of the body member when the notebook computer is received therein.
- 6. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 5 wherein the handle is pivotably retractable.
- 7. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 5 wherein the handle curves outwardly from the body member.
- 8. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 1 wherein the body member further includes a security device adapted to provide an alert when the

notebook computer is removed from the body member.

- 9. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 1 wherein the body member is comprised of a translucent material permitting a visual inspection of substantially all of the notebook computer when received therewithin.
- 10. (original) The notebook computer protection device as specified in Claim 1 wherein the body member further comprises a resilient member disposed proximate the sleeve and adapted to securely cushion the notebook computer when received therewithin.
  - 11. (previously amended) In combination:

a notebook computer; and

a reinforced body member having a sleeve adapted to both receive and secure a notebook computer therewithin, the body member having at least one opening permitting access to a lateral portion of the received notebook computer while secured therewithin without manipulating the body member.

- 12. (previously amended) The combination as specified in Claim 11 wherein the body member has a plurality of openings permitting access to a plurality of lateral portions of the notebook computer while secured therewithin without manipulating the body member.
- 13. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 12 wherein the body member has a plurality of extensions defining the opening therebetween.
- 14. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 11 wherein the body member has a port coupled to the sleeve and is adapted to receive the notebook computer and also to permit retrieval therethrough.
- 15. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 14 further comprising a retractable handle disposed across the port and adapted to permit manipulation of the body

member when the notebook computer is received therein.

- 16. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 15 wherein the handle is pivotably retractable.
- 17. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 15 wherein the handle curves outwardly from the body member.
- 18. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 11 wherein the body member further includes a security device adapted to provide an alert when the notebook computer is removed from the body member.
- 19. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 11 wherein the body member is comprised of a translucent material permitting a visual inspection of substantially all of the notebook computer when received therewithin.
- 20. (original) The combination as specified in Claim 11 wherein the body member further comprises a resilient member disposed proximate the sleeve and adapted to securely cushion the notebook computer when received therewithin.